

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims and replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

Claims 1-29 (canceled)

Claim 30 (currently amended): A method of controlling a data communication apparatus, the method comprising the steps of:

controlling the data communication apparatus to send image data selected by a user to a printer via a serial bus, the image data selected by the user being sent from the data communication apparatus [[if]] in response to entering a send instruction ~~is entered~~ into the data communication apparatus;

controlling the data communication apparatus to start inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring a predetermined user instruction [[if]] in response to entering the send instruction ~~is entered~~ into the data communication apparatus; [[and]]

controlling the data communication apparatus to stop inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction [[if]] in response to receiving notice from the printer ~~notifies the data communication apparatus~~ that the image data selected by the user is printed; and

controlling the data communication apparatus to stop inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to disconnecting the data communication apparatus from the serial bus.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A method according to claim 30, further comprising the step of:

controlling the data communication apparatus to notify a user with a warning message ~~[[if]]~~ in response to entering the predetermined user instruction ~~is entered~~ into the data communication apparatus when the predetermined user instruction is inhibited, invalidated or ignored.

Claim 32 (previously presented): A method according to claim 30, wherein the data communication apparatus is an apparatus including at least one video recording unit and at least one camera unit.

Claim 33 (previously presented): A method according to claim 30, wherein the serial bus conforms to IEEE 1394 standards.

Claim 34 (currently amended): A data communication apparatus comprising:
~~a data communication means for sending~~ unit that sends image data selected by a user to a printer via a serial bus, the image data selected by the user being sent from the data communication unit ~~[[if]]~~ in response to entering a send instruction ~~is entered~~ into the data communication apparatus; and

~~a control means for starting a procedure for~~ unit that (a) starts inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring a predetermined user instruction ~~[[if]]~~ in response to entering the send instruction ~~is entered~~ into the data communication apparatus, ~~and for stopping the~~ (b) stops inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring ~~[[of]]~~ the predetermined user instruction ~~[[if]]~~ in response to

receiving notice from the printer ~~notifies the data communication apparatus~~ that the image data selected by the user is printed, and (c) stops inhibiting, invalidating or ignoring the predetermined user instruction in response to disconnecting the data communication apparatus from the serial bus.

Claim 35 (currently amended): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein said control ~~[[means]]~~ unit notifies a user with a warning message ~~[[if]]~~ in response to entering the predetermined user instruction ~~is entered~~ into said data communication apparatus when the predetermined user instruction is inhibited, invalidated or ignored by said control ~~[[means]]~~ unit.

Claim 36 (previously presented): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein said data communication apparatus is an apparatus including at least one video recording unit and at least one camera unit.

Claim 37 (previously presented): A data communication apparatus according to claim 34, wherein the serial bus conforms to IEEE 1394 standards.